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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Enclosed please find Form PTO-1449 identifying four (4) references. Also enclosed are copies of the four identified references.

The present application is the United States National Phase of International Patent Application PCT/SE2003/001847. The four identified references were cited in the International Search Report issued in connection with the corresponding PCT application.

Swedish Patent No. 523,502 issued on April 27, 2004, is based upon Swedish Patent Appl. No. 0203201-9, filed in the Swedish Patent Office on October 31, 2002. Although priority is not claimed from this Swedish patent application, the application nonetheless corresponds to PCT/SE2003/001847. Neither the corresponding Swedish patent application which was filed on October 31, 2002, or the Swedish patent issuing therefrom on April 27, 2004, constitutes prior art to the present United States National Phase which has an effective filing date of December 8, 2003 corresponding to the international filing date of the corresponding PCT international patent application.

The remaining three identified WO publications were each cited in Category A, indicating that these publications generally define the state of the background art and are not considered to be relevant to the claims of the corresponding PCT application. Applicant notes that the claims of the United States National Phase correspond to the claims of the PCT application.

Applicant further notes that a corresponding United States patent has issued for each of the three WO publications. These United States patents are identified as follows:

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,554,345, issued April 29, 2003, corresponds to WO 99/20490;
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,764,117, issued July 20, 2004, corresponds to WO 02/24487; and

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3. U.S. Patent No. 6,836,321, issued March 8, 2005,
corresponds to WO 02/38418;

The three corresponding United States patents have also been identified on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

Applicant respectfully requests that each of the references identified on Form PTO-1449 be formally cited of record in connection with the present United States National Phase.

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	6,554,345	4/03	Jonsson			
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	6,836,321	3/05	Jonsson et al			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
						YES	NO
	9920490	4/99	WO				
	0224487	3/02	WO				
	0238418	5/02	WO				
	523502	4/04	SE				

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